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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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Sir:

This amendment is filed in response to an office action mailed October 22, 2002 (Paper No. 8; hereinafter, the "Office Action"), in which claims 30 and 45-48 were rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting. The specification was also subject to objection on various grounds. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections and objections are respectfully requested in light of the following amendment and remarks. This amendment is timely filed along with a petition for a three-month extension of time and the appropriate fee.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

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